

Amendment  
U.S. Appl. No.: **10/595,822**  
Attorney Docket No. **LAV0313825**

**AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS**

Please replace the sheet of drawings by the replacement sheet of drawings with amended Figs. 1 and 2 which is submitted with this paper. The replacement sheet does not add any new matter.

**REMARKS**

By the present amendment, the specification has been amended to insert section titles, the abstract has been amended to reduce its length to 127 words and avoid “patent legalese,” and the drawings have been amended to add legends in Figs. 1 and 2.

Dependent claims 7-20 have been added to reinstate some of the multiple dependencies in the original PCT application.

Claims 1-20 are pending in this application. Claim 1 is the only independent claim.

In the Office Action, the drawings are objected to on the ground that all blocks in Figures 1 and 2 should be identified by a label.

A replacement sheet of drawings with amended Figs. 1 and 2 is submitted with this paper. Figs. 1 and 2 have been modified in that the reference numerals have been complemented by legends from the specification. Accordingly, it is submitted that the objection should be withdrawn.

Next, in the Office Action, the description is objected to on the ground that section titles are missing.

The specification has been amended to add section titles. Accordingly, it is submitted that the objection should be withdrawn.

Next, in the Office Action, the abstract is objected on the ground that it should be in a single paragraph of at most 150 words and avoid “patent” terminology (e.g., “means,” “said,” etc.).

A substitute abstract is presented as suggested in the Office Action. Accordingly, it is

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submitted that the objection should be withdrawn.

In conclusion, the invention as presently claimed is patentable. It is believed that the claims are in allowable condition and a notice to that effect is earnestly requested.

In the event there is, in the Examiner's opinion, any outstanding issue and such issue may be resolved by means of a telephone interview, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

In the event this paper is not considered to be timely filed, the Applicants hereby petition for an appropriate extension of the response period. Please charge the fee for such extension and any other fees which may be required to our Deposit Account No. 502759.

Respectfully submitted,

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